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Sir:

In response to the pending final Office Action, mailed October 3, 2003 (Paper No. 20030930), Applicant responds as follows:

There are no amendments to the claims which are listed in section a);

Reconsideration is requested in view of the remarks/arguments set forth in section b).

A two-month extension is requested for this response.